Women's History Month Events 2010

Each year National Women's History Month is observed throughout the Nation during the month of March. In celebration of this observance, the Equal Opportunity and Diversity Management (EODM) Division has compiled a listing of events and cultural programs that are being held locally to commemorate National Women's History Month. Events are free and open to the public, except where noted.

The Smithsonian celebrates National Women's History Month with a series of feature events including:

- Women's History Month Family Day, Saturday, March 6, 11:30 a.m. 3 p.m., Donald W. Reynolds Center for American Art and Portraiture, Kogod Courtyard. This day of family fun includes music and dance performances and workshops, hands-on arts and stamp activities, and a special Red Carpet area for stars of all ages
- Women in Aviation and Space Day, Saturday, March 13, 10 am 3 pm, National Air and Space Museum, Steven F. Udvar-Hazy Center, Chantilly, VA. Learn about the accomplishments of Amelia Earhart, the Women Air Force Service Pilots (WASPs), Sally Ride, and contemporary women who are contributing to space exploration and aviation science and technology. This museum-wide family day includes book signings, a story time, and hands-on activities. Admission is free, but parking at the Udvar-Hazy Center is \$15.00.
- For additional events, visit <u>Smisthonian Events for Women's History Month</u>

"Discovering Women's History Workshop" — Tuesday, March 9, 9:30 am — 12:30 p.m., National Archives Building, Constitution Ave. and 7th St., NW, Washington, DC. (Visitors to this event should enter at the Special Events Entrance on 7th street) For directions, see: http://www.archives.gov/dc-metro. This event is a part of the "Know your Records" program. Certified genealogists Elizabeth Kelley Kerstens and Marie Varrelman Melchiori will lead this workshop on researching women in history based on Civil War ancestors and their records. Reservations are required, and a fee of \$20 is payable by cash or check (payable to NATF) at the door. E-mail KYR@nara.gov or call 202-357-5333.

Panel Discussion: Women Taking the Lead to Save our Planet, Thursday, March 11, 2010, 10:30 am – 12 noon, USDA Auditorium, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20250. Program will include: Wendy Rieger, Anchor News4, Rev. Dr. Iyanla Vanzant, Founder and Director of Inner Visions Institute of Spiritual Development; Panelists include Mary Louise Uhlig, Associate Assistant Administrator, Prevention Pesticides and Toxic Substances Office, EPA, Linda Brooks Rix, Co-Chief Executive Officer, Avue Technologies Corporation, Jean Bowling, National Women's History Project Board of Director, and Dr. Patricia Taylor, Chief, Intelligence Community EEO and Diversity, Office of the Director of National Intelligence.

Hosted by FEW and USDA/FSIS. Seating available for 500; RSVP preferred – email few@few.org to reserve your seat.

Women in Leadership: Journalism, Thursday March 11, 7:00 p.m., William G. McGowan Theater, National Archives Building, Constitution Ave. and 7th Street, NW Washington, DC, Women journalists have impacted the reporting and editing of our nation's news. What are the challenges they have faced? And what has changed in the roles, expectations, opportunities, and obstacles for women in American journalism? A panel of journalists and news executives will discuss what it took to succeed and the future challenges for women in journalism. The panel includes Cokie Roberts, political commentator for ABC News; Gwen Ifill, moderator and managing editor of Washington Week on PBS; Diane Rehm, host of the Diane Rehm Show on NPR; Susan Tifft, professor emerita of Journalism and Public Policy at Duke University; and Katharine Weymouth, publisher of *The Washington Post* and president and CEO of Washington Post Media.

National Women's History Month Program - The Federal Triangle Partnership, Tuesday, March 16, 2010, 10:00-11:00 am, U.S. Department of
Commerce, Auditorium. The keynote speaker is a trailblazer in the women's movement,
Ms. Lilly Ledbetter. Ms. Ledbetter is the architect of the Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay
Restoration Act. To read more about the signing of the Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act,
click on <u>President's Remarks on Lilly Ledbetter Bill Signing</u>. In addition, there will be a
performance by Ms. Tanya Blount. Ms. Blount, a native Washingtonian, studied vocal
music Duke Ellington School of the Arts, and Morgan State University. Her
unforgettable performance of "His Eye on the Sparrow," featuring Lauryn Hill,
introduced the world to both her vocal and acting abilities. The mistress of ceremonies
will be Ms. Surae Chinn, a news reporter for WUSA9 TV News.

Two Part Event on Women in WWII – Part I -- Film: Motion Pictures of Women in World War II, Tuesday, March 16, 11:00 a.m., National Archives Building, Adams Room, Constitution Ave. and 7th street, NW (Visitors Special Events Entrance) See motion pictures from National Archives holdings related to women in World War II, including "Glamour Girls of 1943," "Women in Defense," and "Furlough." Part II – Book Group Discussion: Our Mother's War: American Women at Home and at the Front during World War II, Following the related film presentation, the Book Group discusses *Our Mother's War* by Emily Yellin. Please check the Archives Shop (202-357-5271) for book availability and a special discount for book group participants. Free. For additional information on these events and other events during March, please visit: National Archives Celebrates Women's History Month in March.

Women's History Month Program – Library of Congress, Friday, March 19, 2010, 5:00 p.m., Library of Congress, James Madison Building, Montpelier Room, 6th floor, 101 Independence Ave., SE, Washington, DC. The keynote speaker, Journalist Hoda Kotb, has co-hosted the fourth hour of NBC's "Today Show" since the show's debut in September 2007. A two-year breast cancer survivor, Kotb shared her story on "Today" and NBC Nightly News in October 2007. This event is sponsored jointly by the

Library's African and Middle Eastern Division and the Library of Congress Professional Association, the event is free and open to the public. Tickets are not required.

Amelia, Saturday, March 27, at noon, William G. McGowan Theater, National Archives Building, Constitution Ave. and 7th Street, NW, Washington, DC. A look at the life of legendary American pilot Amelia Earhart, who disappeared while flying over the Pacific Ocean in 1937 in an attempt to fly around the world. Stars Hilary Swank and Richard Gere. Rated PG. (2009, 111 minutes)

National Parks Tours - dates, times, and locations of events vary throughout the month of March. Events include tours, reenactments, presentations, exhibits, demonstrations, and more. Some events may require reservations and parking fees. For more information, please visit: National Parks Women's History Month Events All events are free and open to the public, except where noted.